3M Pharmaceuticals 3M Center, Building 260-6A-22 St. Paul, Minnesota 55144-1000

Attention: Marlene Peterson

Sr. Regulatory Coordinator

Dear Ms. Peterson:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated September 22, 1997, received September 26, 1997, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Proventil HFA (albuterol sulfate) Inhalation Aerosol.

We acknowledge receipt of your submission dated March 31, 1998. The user fee goal date for this application is September 26, 1998.

This supplemental new drug application provides for the use of Proventil HFA for the prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm in patients 12 years of age and older.

We have completed the review of this supplemental application, as amended, including the submitted draft labeling and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug product is safe and effective for use as recommended in the enclosed marked-up draft labeling. Accordingly, the supplemental application is approved effective on the date of this letter.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed marked-up labeling (text for the package insert, text for the patient package insert).

Please submit 20 copies of the FPL as soon as it is available, in no case more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount ten of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 20-503/S-004." Approval of the submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

In addition, please submit three copies of the introductory promotional materials that you propose to use for this product. All proposed materials should be submitted in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Please submit one copy to this Division and two copies of both the promotional materials and the package insert directly to:

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Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications, HFD-40 Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, Maryland 20857

If a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Practitioner" letter) is issued to physicians and others responsible for patient care, we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, contact Ms. Parinda Jani, Project Manager, at (301) 827-1064.

Sincerely yours,

John K. Jenkins, M.D., F.C.C.P. Director Division of Pulmonary Drug Products Office of Drug Evaluation II Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

Enclosure